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## DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL TICKET

FOR PRESIDENT—  
WOODROW WILSON  
of New Jersey

FOR VICE-PRESIDENT—  
THOMAS RILEY MARSHALL  
of Indiana

**DEMOCRATIC ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
I hereby announce myself as a candidate for Member of Congress from the Fourth Congressional District of Missouri, subject to the primary election, August 1, 1916.

ROBERT L. YOUNG.

**FOR CIRCUIT JUDGE DIVISION**  
I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the nomination for Judge of the Circuit Court, Division No. 3 subject to the decision of the Democratic primary to be held in Buchanan County, Aug. 1, 1916.

W. H. UTZ.

**FOR CIRCUIT JUDGE**  
I hereby announce myself as a candidate for Judge of the Circuit Court, Division No. 1, of Buchanan County, subject to the decision of the Democratic primary, Aug. 1, 1916.

THOMAS B. ALLEN.

**CIRCUIT JUDGE DIVISION NO. 3**  
I hereby announce myself as a candidate for Judge of the Circuit Court of Buchanan County, Division No. 3, subject to the decision of the Democratic primary August 1, 1916.

JAMES C. GROWNEY.

**REPRESENTATIVE FIRST DISTRICT**  
I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the nomination for representative of the First District, subject to the decision of the Democratic primary, to be held August 1, 1916.

ROY RUSH.

**REPRESENTATIVE FIRST DISTRICT**  
I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the nomination for representative from the First District, subject to the decision of the voters at the Democratic primary to be held in Buchanan county, August 1st, 1916.

EDWIN M. SWARTZ.

**FOR SHERIFF**  
I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the nomination for sheriff of Buchanan county, subject to the decision of the voters at the Democratic primary to be held in Buchanan county, August 1, 1916.

OTTO THEISEN.

### HUGHES IS SO HAPPY

And the bewhiskered Mr. Hughes is just "too happy"! In fact, he is so happy that he has found it necessary to issue a statement in which he may blow off some of his surplus happiness—saying how happy he is over the campaign committee selected for the national Republican committee.

Of course, it would not look really nice if Mr. Hughes was not "pleased," for unfortunate would be the candidate if he didn't like the bunch that was boosting his campaign along.

Mr. Hughes really and truly, cross-my-heart, ought to like this campaign committee, for he did it himself, it is understood—he and Teddy the Big Noise—but he likes the big noise—their two souls have but a single thought and their two hearts beat as one regarding something so important—from their point of view—that it transcends out of sight any interests of parties or factions of parties. We should judge that Mr. Hughes is one of the best pleased men in the United States, if not the very best pleased of all the happy men that are in this dear country of ours.

It was understood that he was in ecstasy over the nomination made by the Chicago convention.

He had not long to dally alone with the joy when the nomination of Mr. Fairbanks met with his enthusiastic approval.

Then, before June—the happy month of June, the month of singing birds and cooing doves and hymeneal songs—before this month was past, Mr. Roosevelt did something that elicited the high admiration of Mr. Hughes and brought a sublime pleasure to the former justice of the supreme court—Mr. Roosevelt declined to run for the presidency on a third ticket.

A further great happiness was added to Mr. Hughes' already overflowing quantity when the Progressive national committee adopted Mr. Roosevelt's estimate of Hughes.

Then the luncheon and the "complete accord" with Teddy, and now the campaign committee. Chunks and chunks of satisfaction coming fast Mr. Hughes' way. What could a man desire more, except the presidency? But it does look as if he would have to be content without that.

## EFFICIENCY DESERVES REWARD

There is really but one plea that the opponents of Congressman Booher are making in their efforts to defeat him for renomination, and that is the idle one that "he has been there long enough; we should have rotation in office." It is so manifestly unsound that it should and does fall upon deaf ears, especially at this critical time in the history of the nation.

To show the fallacy of this contention, what business or professional man in St. Joseph would discharge a tried, true and efficient servant or employee, merely because that employee had been in his service for a considerable number of years? The rule adhered to is that the longer the term of efficient service the more valuable becomes the employee.

Would the Burnes National bank, the First National bank, the German-American National or the Tootle-Lemon National of this city, acting through their boards of directors, discharge their cashiers for no other reason than that they had served their banking institutions well, faithfully and satisfactorily for a number of years?

Would a landlord change tenants on his farm, when the tenant was giving the best of service and producing satisfactory results, just because the tenant had resided on the farm for ten or more years? We think not. Experience gained by years of actual service in any vocation or profession is an asset of inestimable value. It is an indisputable fact that no other qualification, when combined with efficiency and loyalty, is so valuable or meritorious.

Charles F. Booher's experience during his terms in congress, his acquaintance and association with men of large affairs, and the confidence he enjoys by reason of that association, will enable him to counsel wisely in the present crisis and in the readjustment of conditions that must inevitably follow the close of the European struggle. In the settlement of these problems experience will be an elemental asset. We believe the voters of the Fourth district recognize the fact at this time and will demand a stronger plea than "give me the office because the other fellow has had it long enough." Such a plea lacks strength and dignity, and the voters will justly demand a better reason before making a change. Until it can be shown that the best interests of the district have not been served by Mr. Booher, he should and will continue to receive the support of the voters. Until the others can show conclusively that they are better qualified and can render better and more efficient service, their pleas should go unheard and unrewarded.

### READS LIKE JULES VERNE

The first submarine, the Deutschland, and its 3,800-mile voyage across the Atlantic has challenged the wonders of the world. In the midst of the horrors of the battlefield and the terrors of war, this naval achievement, by its audacity, its practical meaning and its influence on the conduct of navies, is of astonishing world-wide interest. It is a monster ship of its kind, judging from specifications given in the press reports, and when one thinks of it covertly making its way, unmolested by the British or French war vessels, its safe voyage may be considered as epoch-making.

It might not be out of place to state here that the experience of the past few years has forecast this trip of the Deutschland. The United States has sent a fleet of submarines from San Francisco to Honolulu without a mishap. The voyage from Key West to New York by a submarine was described in the newspapers with much detail. But the Honolulu trip of 2,000 miles is the record so far as this country is concerned. At present, a monster submarine is building in the United States which is said to be speedier and almost as large as the one which has arrived from Germany.

Direct reports from Germany via submarine, separated from us by the great Atlantic and for a thousand miles easily within reach of the British fleet which had swept the sea of German ships of war, is an astounding achievement indeed. This long voyage gives to the undersea boat an importance which adds to its already great prestige as a weapon of war. While the building of submarines has been given a great stimulus among all countries during the present war, the possibilities in the light of this latest triumph are greatly expanded.

It required but seventeen days for the Deutschland to make this momentous voyage and land her 750-ton, million-dollar cargo in United States custom houses, and incidentally in this line perform a great service for the people of America who are suffering for what made up the cargo. It is now announced that another boat will soon be on the way and bring another cargo. If this ingenious method actually restores even a limited amount of commerce between this country and Germany, it will enable that country, in desperate straits of war, to thus early make an entering wedge for the restoration of trade after the conflict is ended. According to the captain,

the Deutschland actually paid for itself with profits of the first trans-Atlantic trip.

The imaginative flights of fancy of that picturesque writer, Jules Verne, are recalled by the recital of the voyage by the captain of the Deutschland. As the submarine actually traversed the English channel—and the captain said it did—we have occasion for wonder about the defensive contrivance with which those waters were said to have been made safe from invasion by the undersea boat. But even if that feature of the trip were disputed, the triumph of the Deutschland is sufficiently marvelous to make the world gasp. In times of peace, when conditions were all made favorable for a safe trip of 3,800 miles under the ocean, the achievement would have been considered great. In the midst of the most terrible war in the history of wars, it is a colossal feat.

### DEMOCRATS PROUD OF BILL

The Democratic revenue bill is now bearing the brunt of one of the fiercest of onslaughts by the organs of Wall street, its standpoint press following the course it has pursued so far in this campaign is now indulging in wholesale denunciation, but never attempting to point out the specific things that they think are bad. In this connection read what Bradstreet's summary of last week has to say:

"Among its revenue producing features the most important is that increasing the taxes on incomes. While retaining the existing limit of exemptions, it doubles the normal rate on incomes between that limit and \$20,000, raising it from 1 to 2 per cent. It increases the surtaxes on larger incomes, fixing the additional tax on incomes above \$500,000 at 10 per cent, instead of 6, the present extreme limit, and lowering the amounts of income at which the intervening rates are paid. The bill imposes a graduated tax on inheritances, ranging from 1 per cent on estates not in excess of \$50,000 to 5 per cent on the amount by which such estates exceed \$450,000. Another provision imposes upon manufacturers of gunpowder and explosives, except blasting powder and dynamite, taxes ranging from 5 to 8 per cent of the amount of their gross receipts. It also levies upon manufacturers of cartridges, loaded or unloaded, projectiles, shells, guns, cannons, bayonets, etc., taxes ranging from 2 to 5 per cent of the amount of their gross receipts, and imposes a tax of 1 to 3 per cent upon the gross receipts of smelters or refiners of copper."

There never was a wiser and more statesmanlike revenue bill proposed than that. DuPont has made so much money manufacturing powder that he proposes to contend with Rockefeller as to who is the richest man. The manufacturers of war material have all made fortunes and nothing would be more just than to tax them in proportion to their gains, instead of putting a tax on the necessities of life, the greater part of which would fall upon the poorer class. There is nothing in the legislation of the last three years of which reformers should be more proud than this revenue bill.

### DISTRESSED OVER THE WAR TAX

The distress of some of the Republican members over the war tax levied by congress is most pitiful—in short, one can hardly understand or comprehend the full extent and measure of their grief. The grief of one of the g. o. p. congressmen from our neighboring state, Nebraska, has progressed to such a high degree that the other day he announced that for the benefit of those who suffer he will introduce a measure to refund to all that have paid it the amount exacted by the so-called war tax. Awful, isn't it?

Yet this same Republican congressman is very much attached to the doctrine of "protective" tariff by means of which money is taken out of the pockets of the people and put into the pockets of a favored few men of wealth.

All of the money collected through the war tax goes to the government, while it tickles the Republican party and its congressmen to know that only a moderate part of a so-called "protective" tariff tax goes to the government, the great bulk of it going into the pockets of special privileges.

The Republican party and its congressmen are very much against the income tax as a means of providing revenues for the government, because it comes from the well-to-do and all goes to the government. They would much rather have the government rely solely upon the so-called "protective" tariff tax, so that while the government would be getting a revenue on actual imports, wealthy men in the United States would be getting a much larger sum on domestic manufactures by reason of the denial of foreign competition.

Republican congressmen are solidly against the government-owned merchant marine. They would very much prefer ship subsidy, whereby the government would take large sums out of the pockets of the people to pay to ship-owners in the form of bonuses.

Wherever and whenever it is possible for it to be so the Republican party stands up valiantly and unashamed for special privilege, and whenever and wherever it is possible for it to do so the Democratic party under Woodrow Wilson stands up for

equal opportunity for all and special privileges for none.

We were right only we did not expect it quite that soon. Last week we stated that the reported allied successes which were being so loudly proclaimed by a subsidized press were being flouted in order that J. Pierp. Morgan and his crew could float another allied loan about August 1. This week the announcement is made that J. Pierp. and his crew are ready to float a \$100,000,000 loan for Russia—which latter country, big as it is, is totally bankrupt.

Lexington voted on local option this week and the people of that place showed that they were aware of conditions and voted down the proposition by a majority of 318—the largest majority against the "drys" in the history of that well governed Missouri city.

Those lying American war correspondents along the Mexican border reported a great battle on Tuesday between Carranza and United States troops. It turned out that this battle was one in which a trooper was firing a .22 rifle at doves in a nearby woods.

Every nation that is engaged in the European war is bankrupt, and never in the next century will be able to pay its war debt. The United States is rolling in wealth and Woodrow Wilson has kept it out of war and made this prosperity.

The terrible murder of which Mrs. McDaniels was the victim is one of the most brutal in the crime annals of Buchanan county. It is to be hoped that the perpetrator will be brought to speedy and full measured justice.

The farmers in the vicinity of Lake Contrary who stand to lose the most should the Missouri cut into the lake, seem to be as much interested in saving their farms as are the people of St. Joseph.

The last day liar is already pluming his wings and getting ready to throw off his slime on the day prior and on primary day. Pay no attention to last hour stories.

Teddy the Big Noise has said so many things and from so many angles that now every time that he opens his mouth he flatly contradicts some of his earlier bombastic buncombe.

Why don't those carping critics who are doing much loud talking trying to "beat Wilson," give some of the things that they claim Wilson has failed on?

The visiting Jefferson Highway directors were shown that St. Joseph and Buchanan county is right up to the top in the pushing forward of the great highway project.

While you have been grunting and growling over the hot weather of the past few days, Missouri corn has grown two feet and is an assured full crop.

This is no time to swap horses when it comes to the question of a congressman. A man who has made good should be kept there.

The census bureau estimates there are 21,000,000 persons of military age in the United States. How militaristic we are becoming!

This is the last day to register if you would vote at the primary. If you are not registered be sure to go early today and qualify yourself.

We knew it—we knew it. In spite of the Hessian fly Kansas is calling for an army of volunteers to capture the wheat crop.

We do not decorate our warriors with feathers, but we do plan that a large number of them shall have wings.

There is a faint suspicion among the knowing that there is just a trifle of politics in that Lake Contrary affair.

President Wilson will see that the British black list of American made goods will soon be relegated to the junk pile.

Be sure and register today in order that you may vote for the return to congress of Charles F. Booher.

Already big-whiskered Hughes has been compelled to tell his followers that he must have harmony.

In other words, Judge Landis has wet the paste that held the associated Bill Posters together.

The "dry" convention at St. Paul this week has been almost as exciting as a poker party.

If you do not vote at the Tuesday primary don't growl if some one you do not want is nominated.

This is the great day at Agency—and every candidate is on the ground.

Two full days and not a yelp from Teddy. Is his throat bad?

### GROWNEY TO VOTERS

He Tells the Electors of Buchanan County Exactly Where He Stands

To the Voters of Buchanan County:

I am a candidate for the Democratic nomination for judge of the circuit court, division No. 3, subject to the primary election to be held Aug. 1.

My qualifications for this honorable position cannot be questioned. I have been engaged in the practice of law for more than a quarter of a century in the Platte Purchase. In March, 1887, I was graduated from the University of Missouri with the degree of LL.B. (Bachelor of Laws), admitting me to the practice of law in all the courts of this, my native state.

Since that time my work at the bar as an advocate and trial lawyer has made it clear to the members of the legal profession that I am well equipped, both mentally and physically, to perform the arduous duties devolving upon a judge of the circuit court.

In asking this nomination, I wish it to be distinctly understood by the voters of Buchanan county that I am

not the candidate of any "ring," "machine," "clique," or set of "political bosses." If nominated at the August primary, and afterward elected to the honorable position of judge of your circuit court, I shall wear the collar of no man, or set of men, in the discharge of my official duties. The play will have to be fair, with a square deal to each individual, according to that rule of law which commands the doing of what is right and prohibits the doing of what which is wrong.

If the views above expressed meet with the approval of the voters of Buchanan county, I shall appreciate your support in the August primary.

Respectfully submitted,  
JAMES C. GROWNEY.

### We Will See, Teddy

It remains to be seen if Teddy can deliver the votes of 4 million people to a minority party. The rank and file of the Progressive party are too much in earnest to be traded off like a bunch of cattle.—Howell County Gazette.

Roosevelt Joins His "Thugs," Etc.  
The fact that Roosevelt has now joined this band of "thieves," as he called them for the sole purpose of securing the Republican nomination for himself four years hence, has turned a host of his former followers against him and the Republican nominee.—Excelsior Springs Standard.

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